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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 The present invention provides a technique for a covering and identifying an endoscope. In one embodiment, a cover may be placed onto the probe portion of an endoscope. Advantageously, the cover may protect the probe portion against inadvertent damage. Additionally, the cover may comprise an indicium indicative of a status of the endoscope or endoscope components, such as the probe portion. For example, the indicium may comprise colors, such as red and green, respectively assigned to indicate a sterile or contaminated condition of the endoscope or endoscope components.